10/28/69

Gary (copy Paul),

Several weeks ago you asked about the Oswald wrist scars and I referred you to the Oswald autopsy.

I find I have CD897:482-3, which is also WC-1, ~~1X~~ 3/12/64 interviews by FBI Carter with Dr. Earl Dockery, who took the pictures, and J.C. Price. My only clear copy is pasted up in the appendix to POST MORTEM (You should have noted this there). I have an unclear Thermofax I can send you. Anyway, whether or not accurately quoting the subject, I believe the report is wrong in saying "Dr. Dockery said he was unable to recall observing any scars on the inner wrists", but in any event, somebody looked for them. Unless Dockery doesn't know the autopsy business.

He took "about nine rolls of 35 mm film".

He said a subpena was required. Price said the same thing.

Should you want a clear copy to keep, I suggest you get it direct. I never carried this further, as I should have, to see if a) a subpena was issued and b) the pictures were analyzed, with comments and observations recorded. That is still worth doing. If you decide not to, let me know and I will.

Probably the entire thing is in the 897 file. My copies I got from NOL when it was first available and I was looking for something else.

I suggest March was a little late for the Commission to be looking into such basic evidence, but perhaps it coincides with the CIA suggestion which it could not ignore. However, its own lawyers should long before this have recognized the importance of checking out that part of the diary and establishing the identity of the corpse. It was very obvious, an avoidance of it could justify wonder, if not suspicion. Also, the subsequent silence on the point. Of which the same observations.

Best regards,